

## State Water Resources Control Board

January 20, 2016

Shell Oil Products US  
Attention: Ms. Deborah Pryor  
20945 Wilmington Avenue South  
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Dear Ms. Pryor:

CLOSURE DENIAL REVIEW FOR PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE,  
AMIN'S OIL (FORMER SHELL STATION), 2603 SOUTH NORMANDIE AVENUE,  
LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY

State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Resolution No. 2012-0062 requires that State Water Board staff review a lead agency's decision when the lead agency has denied a request by a responsible party for an underground storage tank (UST) case closure pursuant to the Low-Threat UST Case Closure Policy (Policy).

The subject case has the following identification numbers:

- State Water Board, GeoTracker No. T0603777067
- Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board), Case No. 900070034A

State Water Board staff reviewed the closure request dated August 18, 2015 and the response from the Los Angeles Water Board. After careful consideration of the GeoTracker record, State Water Board staff agrees with the Los Angeles Water Board staff determination that all of the Policy criteria have not been met. Based on information in the above-referenced GeoTracker record, State Water Board staff finds that the subject case does not meet the following Policy criteria:

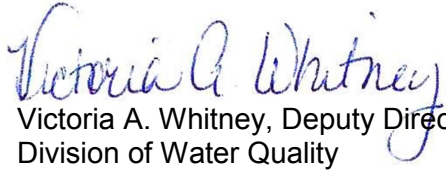
- **General Criterion e.** – A conceptual site model that assesses the nature, extent, and mobility of the release has been developed.

There are no monitoring wells downgradient of the highest concentrations of methyl tert-butyl ether and tert-butyl alcohol. Groundwater flow direction changed in 2014 from northwesterly to south-southeasterly. Monitoring wells to the northwest of the Site have had insufficient water for sampling during recent monitoring events.

Contaminants remaining at the subject site continue to pose a potential threat to human health, safety, and the environment. Criteria for low-threat UST case closure have not been met at this time, therefore closure of the UST case is not appropriate.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. George Lockwood at (916) 341-5752 or [George.Lockwood@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:George.Lockwood@waterboards.ca.gov).

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